

BIG INCREASE IN TAXABLE VALUES

Grand Jury in Northumberland Reports Property Is Fairly Assessed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Lancaster, Va., October 17.—The October term of the Circuit Court of Northumberland County, Judge T. H. B. Wright presiding, began last Monday and ended yesterday. While no cases of public interest were disposed of, the grand jury made an important and interesting report as to the increased value of taxable property in the county during the past year.

More than a year ago Judge Wright delivered a charge to the grand jury in all the counties of this state, calling their attention to certain provisions of the tax laws of the Commonwealth, especially to those relating to taxes on personal property and incomes. This led to a vigorous examination by the grand juries of the books of the commissioners of the revenue, and in several of these counties, Northumberland among them, persons who were supposed to be receiving large incomes were summoned before the grand jury and questioned as to the amount of their respective incomes.

In the investigations it was developed that many persons, who were large stockholders in the menhaden fish factories, had failed to give in any income on the ground that these concerns had declared no dividends for the year 1912.

The grand jury, headed by T. A. Jett, formerly member of the House of Delegates, after a careful examination of the tax-books of the commissioner of the revenue, made report, which said in part:

"Having examined Randolph S. Brent, commissioner of the revenue for this county, with the books produced before us, we feel satisfied that the tangible and other property has been fairly assessed; and it should be a source of pride to the people of this county to know that this class of property, notwithstanding a large decrease in the income tax, owing to the fact that the fish factories in this section declared no dividends for the year 1912, has increased in value over the preceding tax year \$309,000."

This gratifying increase in the taxable values in Northumberland County, which is doubtless true of the other counties in the Northern Neck of Virginia, is not only an index of the material prosperity of this section, but is also a tribute to the efficiency of the officers and the integrity of the people.

The members of Lawson-Ball Camp of Confederate Veterans met here yesterday and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Rev. Wayland F. Dunaway, D. D., commander; William Chilton, first lieutenant; Thomas B. Hurst, second lieutenant; Edwin Blackwell, third lieutenant; Thomas A. Pinckard, adjutant; Rev. Cookman Degees, chaplain; Dr. W. J. Newbill, surgeon; George E. Beane, quartermaster; John William Chewing, treasurer; Tyler Dairs, color sergeant; John W. Hundley, vidette.

Dr. Dunaway, who was elected commander of the camp, is one of the best known and most highly esteemed Baptist ministers of the state, and, owing to advancing age, he retired from active service in the ministry about two years ago. He served in the Confederate Army, rising to the rank of captain. He was captured and spent some time as a prisoner on Johnson's Island. He represented Lancaster in the convention that framed the present Constitution of Virginia.

STUART SPEAKS AT BLACKSBURG FAIR

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Blacksburg, Va., October 17.—Henry C. Stuart spoke on the Virginia Polytechnic Institute College grounds here this afternoon to an audience that assumed proportions seen only on sham battle day. The visit of Virginia's governor was the chief event of the big crowd day of the Blacksburg Fair. Mr. Stuart was introduced by President Eggleston, of the institute, and made a very earnest talk of less than an hour in length, avoiding any mention of politics and dwelling on the possibilities of Virginia as an agricultural state, and the opportunities life on the farm now offered to young men. He emphasized the necessity of just such an education in agriculture as the college here is giving, and told the new era of prosperity for the Virginia Polytechnic Institute under new administration.

The second day of the first county fair held in Montgomery was highly successful, weather and attendance being fine. All events on the program were held and the gate receipts were beyond expectations.

Talking Electrically

Mrs. Jones—Good morning, Mrs. Smith; where are you off to so early this morning?

Mrs. Smith—I am going to the electric showroom of the Virginia Railway and Power Company.

Mrs. Jones—Why, I did not know they had an electric showroom. Where is it?

Mrs. Smith—On the first floor of their new building at Seventh and Franklin Streets.

Mrs. Jones—Is that so? What have they got there?

Mrs. Smith—They have all kinds of electric heating and cooking appliances, and a lady demonstrator who will take pleasure in showing you anything they have.

Mrs. Jones—My! you don't say so; I certainly will have to go there. I have been wanting to know something about an electric iron for some time. What are you going to get?

Mrs. Smith—Why, my husband complained of feeling chilly last night, and it is too early to start the fires, so I am going to get an electric heater they are so nice—you can carry them from room to room.

Mrs. Jones—Good gracious! What a good idea; just what I want. Come in a moment, Mrs. Smith, until I get my hat and I will go with you.

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If not, give them a trial.

Once used, Bromm Bakery products become a luxury that you will not dispense with.

We are more than particular as to the purity and quality of all ingredients entering into our Bread, Cakes and Pies.

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Mince Pies, 10c, 15c, 25c

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News of Petersburg

The Times-Dispatch Bureau, 5 Bollingbrook Street, (Phone 1485), Petersburg, Va., October 17.

The Southside Fair, after a four-days' exhibition, closed to-night in a blaze of glory. In point of attendance, yesterday and last night made the record, though the attendance to-day and to-night was large and satisfactory.

The weather was perfect throughout the week, and the order maintained on the grounds was all that could be desired. There were no drunkenness, no scenes of disorder, no accidents of consequence, no robberies, nothing unpleasant. No liquor was dispensed on the grounds or in the vicinity, and yet the greatest crowd ever gathered in Petersburg was here. The Virginia Railway and Power Company handled 25,000 passengers on Wednesday, and it handled many thousands more yesterday, rendering excellent service. There was a magnificent display of fireworks to-night, as there was every night of the fair. To-morrow will be break-up day, with the general removal of all classes of exhibits.

BRIGHT TOBACCO SALES.
Offerings exceed All Expectations and Prices Are High.
The great percentage of sales of bright tobacco, which began on Wednesday morning, were ended to-day. The offerings exceeded all expectations, and the average prices were high. Many visitors and buyers from other markets attended the sales, prices and awards will not be known until to-morrow. Petersburg is now firmly established as a market for the bright as well as the dark tobaccos.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.
Will Be Held Under Auspices of High Street Methodist Episcopal Church.

A Sunday school institute, under the auspices of the High Street Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday School, will be held Sunday afternoon. Several addresses on topics of interest will be delivered, principally with reference to Sunday school work.

Dr. Douglas S. Freeman, Director of Publicity of the State of Virginia, will deliver the address.

deliver an address at High Street Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday, at the morning hour of service.

Sad Death of Young Girl.
Miss Alice Hall, aged fourteen years, daughter of G. W. Hall of Southampton County, died last evening very unexpectedly. Miss Hall had been in the city about two weeks, visiting at the home of her uncle, Robert Hall, Wednesday she spent at the Fair, and that evening went out to visit her grandfather, in Prince George. There she was taken ill with congestion of the lungs and died last evening. The body will be taken home for burial.

Death in Ettrick.
Mrs. Kate C. Blankenship, wife of Thomas L. Blankenship, died this morning, about 7:30 o'clock, at her residence, in Ettrick, after an illness of several months. She was in her forty-fourth year, was widely known and esteemed in her community, and is survived by her husband and one child. Her mother, Mrs. Emma E. Eling, a sister and four brothers also survive.

General News Notes.
The civil docket of the October term of the Hustings Court will be called to-morrow, and the criminal docket will be taken up on Monday.
Mrs. George G. Martin and Mrs. R. S. Foster, of Norfolk, and Mrs. Richard Fox, of Richmond, are visiting their mother, Mrs. R. T. Wilson, at "Cedar Heart," her home in Dinwiddie County.

A. W. Compher, president of the Virginia Christian Endeavor union, visited and addressed the society of the Washington Street Christian Church to-night.

SENTENCED TO CHAIN-GANG.
Four Men Arrested in South Boston Charged With Vagrancy.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
South Boston, Va., October 17.—Chief of Police Terry, assisted by Policemen Collier, Martin, Purcell and Howerton, last night arrested George Smith, of New York; Arthur Black, James McClaughlin and Arthur Martin, all of Philadelphia. They were all jailed, being charged with vagrancy and trespassing on town property. Mayor Vaughan sentenced them to thirty days on the chain-gang. These men claim to have come here to secure employment during the Halifax fair, which will be held next week.

Muzzles for Dogs ORDERED BY MAYOR

Killing of Canine Suffering With Rabies Cause for This Action in Fredericksburg.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Fredericksburg, Va., October 17.—Some time last winter Mayor J. P. Rowe issued a proclamation ordering all dogs in the city to be muzzled, as there were a number of cases where dogs had bitten persons and animals, and the examination of heads which were sent to Washington, showed that they were affected with rabies. The dogs continued to be muzzled until about thirty days ago, when it was thought all danger had passed, and an order was issued allowing the muzzles to be taken off. About a week ago a large bull-dog, owned here, showed strange symptoms and bit a number of other dogs. The dog became so violent that he was shot. The head was sent to Washington, and a report received stating that the dog suffered with rabies. Mayor Rowe has, therefore, issued a proclamation again requiring that all dogs be securely muzzled until further orders.

The eleventh annual session of the Bermon Baptist Association Sunday-school convention will be held at Bethesda Baptist Church, in Caroline County, October 22 and 23. J. J. Williams is president of the association and Frank K. Tyler, of this city, clerk. The Fredericksburg & Wilderness Telephone Company, at a meeting here, elected the following officers: Thomas F. Morrison, president; Dr. Frank Dickinson, vice-president; A. R. Pemberton, secretary and treasurer; Messrs. L. W. Landrum, R. T. Hall, Dr. W. A. Gordon and William Thorburn, directors.

Colonel E. D. Cole, who has been very ill for more than a week, is but little improved.

The Rappahannock Valley Convocation, which met Tuesday at St. John's Episcopal Church, in King George County, adjourned last evening after a profitable session. Rev. George V. Bell, of Stafford County, preached the opening sermon. Rev. W. Russell Bowie, of Richmond, made an address on "Social Service." Rev. J. J. Williams, rector of St. George's Episcopal Church, Fredericksburg, delivered a special sermon, and Rev. F. T. Mitman, of South Bethlehem, Pa., Sunday-school secretary of the General Board of Religious Education, preached yesterday. The closing sermon was preached by Rev. Charles E. Crusoe, of Hague.

FOSTER REVIEWS CADET BATTALION
Distinguished Visitor at Lexington Praises "West Point of the South."
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Lexington, Va., October 17.—A large crowd of visitors was present this afternoon on the hill when in full dress uniforms and flying colors, the cadet battalion passed in review before General John W. Foster, commander of the United States Army, and General E. W. Nichols this afternoon. General Foster, accompanied by Mrs. Foster and Miss Foster and Mrs. Thompson of Washington, drove over to Lexington to-day, and they are spending the week-end at the quarters of Colonel and Mrs. J. C. Wise in Limits. General Foster has been at different times during his career, minister to Mexico, Russia and Spain, special plenipotentiary to negotiate reciprocity treaties with Brazil, Spain, Germany and the British West Indies. Under President Harrison he was Secretary of State, and he has held during his very active life many other notable positions.

At 5 o'clock in the afternoon the battalion was formed under arms in full dress for review. General Foster, accompanied by General Nichols, Colonel James, Colonel Wise and the cadet band, marched around the battalion, inspecting the cadets as they passed. The battalion then passed in review before General Foster, with those accompanying him, standing in front of the barracks. General Foster, himself a soldier in the highest type, expressed himself in a high place of honor in the Point of the South, and particularly their soldierly bearing and their brisk step as they swept past him in review.

IN HARRISONBURG ON MONDAY.
Henry C. Stuart, Democratic Nominee for Governor, Will Make Speech.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Harrisonburg, Va., October 17.—Henry C. Stuart, Democratic nominee for Governor of Virginia, will speak for the first time in Harrisonburg on Monday afternoon. The legislative candidates in Rockingham County are making a spirited canvass with much speech-making. Kezwell and Roiston, Democrats, and Egan, Republican, have made unequivocal replies to the Anti-Saloon League, all declaring that they will stand for an enabling act in Virginia. Harrison, Republican, states that he stands on the Republican platform.

Thieves Rob Meat Car.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Alexandria, Va., October 17.—Thieves last night robbed a car of meat assigned to Swift & Co. A part of the plunder was found this morning in a rowboat by the police.

Jealousy Cause of Murder.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Fredericksburg, Va., October 17.—Rebecca Holmes, colored, a widow, was found in a pool of blood in the yard of her home in Fredericksburg, last night. Brown, colored, aged nineteen, death resulting from a gunshot wound, was the cause of the trouble. Eliza Brown was arrested and jailed at the county jail.

ARGUMENT TO-DAY IN MURDER TRIAL
Beard and Williams Claim Self-Defense—All the Evidence Is In.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Amherst, Va., October 17.—The taking of testimony in the Beard-Williams murder case was practically concluded this evening. The last witnesses examined were the prisoners, Beard and Williams. Their plea for killing David Cooper was self-defense.

Earlier in the day Burr Harrison and Edgar McCraw, who were among the first to reach the scene of the shooting after Cooper was mortally wounded, testified in detail as to what took place immediately after the combat. The argument will begin to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

It is not likely that the case will go to the jury to-morrow night, as seven attorneys will appear for the prosecution and four for the defense. A very large crowd attended the trial to-day.

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WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT

These imitations are made of poorest material by dishonest manufacturers. They imitate the colors, shape and general appearance of our package.

But they dare not use the spear!

They dare not use the word "WRIGLEY'S!"

Remember these two things and you won't be cheated.

It's a fraud unless it's exactly like this:



BRISTOL YET MAY LOSE POST-OFFICE

Orders Continue to Be Received Looking to Carrying Out of Department's Plan.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Bristol, Va., October 17.—Orders continue to be received here looking to the plan of the Post-Office Department to carry out the order to discontinue the Bristol, Va., post-office on October 21. However, it is not yet certain that this will be the fate of the new office, established by President Taft as Senators Martin and Swanson and Congressmen Sloan, of the Committee on Post-Offices and Post Roads, is said to be unalterably opposed to the new office, taking the view that to keep it means to disregard the Democratic pledge to economically administer the affairs of the government. Under the circumstances, the outcome is awaited with keen interest.

John Wilkins, a negro, twenty-three years old, tried in the Circuit Court of Abingdon this week for the killing of Will Wilson, aged twenty-three years, was given five years in the penitentiary. Wilkins shot Wilson down as the result of trouble at the railway camps near Konarock.

The Bristol Board of Trade has appointed Benjamin L. Dulaney and Charles W. Boudurant, men largely interested in mining operations in South-west Virginia, as delegates to attend the annual convention representing American mining, to be held in Philadelphia this fall. Mr. Boudurant will attend, and it is expected that Mr. Dulaney, who is now in the East, will also attend. These men will present the mining situation in this region to the congress of noted mining men.

FAIR AT BEDFORD IS GREAT SUCCESS

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Bedford City, Va., October 17.—More perfect weather than has graced each of the four days of the Bedford County fair could not have been desired, and in every particular the fair has been a great success. The climax came to-day, when about 1,000 pupils from the schools of the town and county with their teachers formed in a grand parade, each waving a national flag and headed by the Bedford Band, marched to the fair grounds. J. R. Guy, principal of the Bedford City school for nearly forty years and the principals of country schools, wearing crimson sashes, mounted on horseback with the officers of the day, marshalled the beautiful parade. C. M. Abbot, division superintendent of schools, made an appropriate address.

There were only two floats in the parade to compete for the prize, one from the town school and the other from Thaxton. The latter received the award. Numerous prizes were awarded in the children's fair department under the auspices of the Library Association. The exhibits were most creditable. There were about 4,000 visitors at the fair to-day.

Victim of Fatal Accident.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Heathsville, Va., October 17.—James Vanlandingham, of Callao, was killed while loading his vessel yesterday. A rope broke, causing a block to strike him on the head, causing instant death. The body was interred in Henderson's Cemetery.

Beech Thrills Crowd.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Bristol, Va., October 17.—Aviator Alexander C. Beech thoroughly triumphed over atmospheric conditions here this afternoon, when, with his biplane, he made two long and beautiful flights, leaving the fair grounds and circling over a portion of the city. More than 10,000 people witnessed the exhibition.

BAKER BROS.' MARKET

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SPECIAL SATURDAY

Smoked Picnic Hams, lb.	12½c	Shoulder of Lamb, lb.	11c
Best Regular Hams, lb.	19c	Breast of Lamb, lb.	9c
Fresh Hams.	18c	Sliced Bacon, lb.	25c
Corned Hams, lb.	18c	Boiled Ham, lb.	30c
Fresh Pork Shoulders.	15c	Best Cream Cheese, lb.	23c
Lamb Chops, lb.	18c and 20c	Pickled Lamb Tongue, lb.	23c
Leg of Lamb, lb.	15c	Frankfort Sausage, lb.	14c
		Fresh Link Sausage, lb.	15c

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